

BLACK LIVES MATTER

Street Mural

For The City of Stamford, CT



Project Sponsors:

Ferguson Library and Stamford NAACP

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Mission Statement

It is our mission to create a **BLACK LIVES MATTER** mural of hope, and pledge to stand against the systemic racism and injustice that Black Americans face in today's society; in essence, leaving a positive legacy for future generations.

Project Objectives

1. To make a profound statement, via PROTEST ART, that police brutality against African Americans must come to an end immediately.
2. To promote awareness of the importance for equality, justice and the elimination of systemic racism for the African American population.
3. To join in solidarity with the BLACK LIVES MATTER Global Campaign by creating a Mural in our very own City of Stamford.
4. To seek placement for the City of Stamford's Mural on a street with high visibility from both a vehicular and pedestrian perspective.
5. To develop artistic activities while the BLACK LIVES MATTER artwork is being created, that allow Stamford's culturally diverse population to participate and feel a sense of pride and ownership of the project.

WHAT ?

As many other cities have done in the United States and also around the world, the purpose of the **Black Lives Matter Street Mural** is to peacefully create **PROTEST ART** to make a statement about the importance of BLACK LIVES, in response to the unjust murders of Black Americans. Recent murders occurring between February 2020 and June 2020 include:

1. Ahmaud Arbery, *murdered February 23, 2020*
2. Breonna Taylor, *murdered March 13, 2020*
3. George Floyd, *murdered May 25, 2020*
4. Rayshard Brooks, *murdered June 12, 2020*

WHEN ?

PROJECT DATE: Sunday, July 19, 2020

RAIN DATE: Sunday, July 26, 2020

WHO?

Black Lives Matter Street Mural Team

- **Stamford Street Mural Leadership Team: Oversee Project, Provide Direction, Raise Fund\$\$\$**
 1. Valerie A. Cooper, Picture That Art Consultants
 2. Guy Fortt, NAACP – President
 3. Michael Hyman, Interfaith Council – VP; 100 Black Men – VP; Ferguson Library – Board
 4. Elizabeth Joseph, Ferguson Library – Community Engagement Director
 5. David Kooris, DSSD – President
 6. Charles Spaulding – Retired City of Stamford Fire Marshal, The Boule, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
 7. Dudley Williams, Mill River Park – Executive Director; Ferguson Library – Chairman of Board
- **BLM Artists:** 16 Professional African American Artists will Paint the Street Mural. One Artist will be assigned to each letter. The Artists are from Fairfield County, CT and reside in the towns of Stamford, Greenwich, Norwalk and Bridgeport primarily. Community Artists will then join in to assist with completing mural.
- **BLM City of Stamford Support Team:**
 1. Michael Pollard – Mayor's Office
 2. Thomas Madden – Paint & Supplies (Durable / Weather Resistant) & Light Show
 3. Jim Travers – Traffic Control & Safety; Assist with Drawing Letters in Street
 4. Tommy Jackson – Urban Renewal / Stamford Clergy

HOW ?

10am: Ferguson Library sponsors Mindfulness Meditation activity on the Plaza and Raises banner

Noon: Mayor David Martin, NAACP President Guy Fortt, Board of Reps Black & Latino Caucus and other VIPs begin Opening Festivities on Ferguson Library Plaza

Noon to 2pm: Graphic Designers Stencil Letters on Street

3pm to 4pm: BLM Artists Set-Up Paint Supplies

4pm to 9pm: BLM Artists Paint Street Mural and Community Artists join in 15 min. intervals.

9pm to 5am: Monday - Mural has to dry

WHERE ?

Broad Street across Bedford Street



BLACK LIVES MATTER

Protest Art

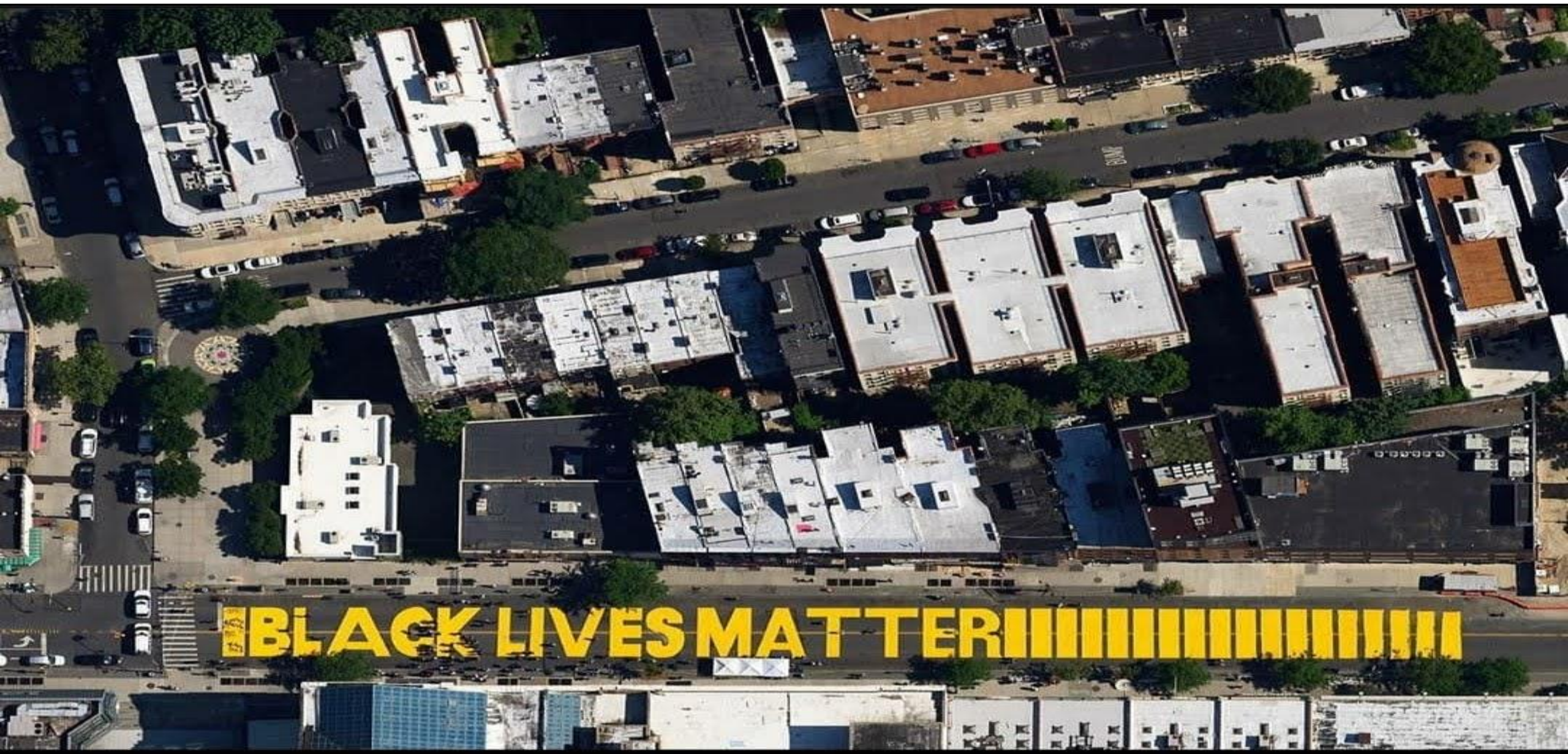
Examples

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Bridgeport, CT



Brooklyn, NY



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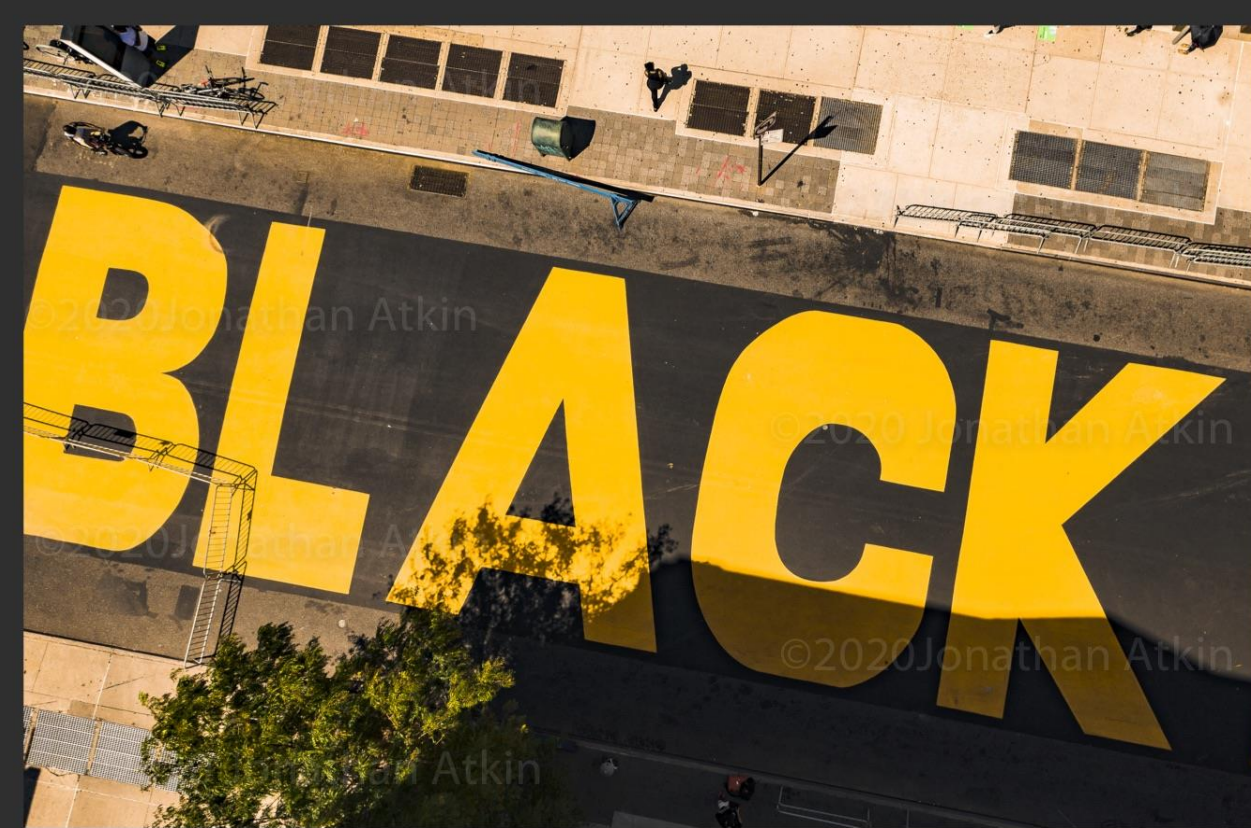


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Bronx, NY

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Charlotte, NC

An aerial photograph of a city street in Charlotte, North Carolina, featuring a large, colorful mural that reads "BLACK LIVES MATTER". The mural is painted on the asphalt, with each letter of the phrase filled with different vibrant patterns and designs. The word "BLACK" is in large, bold, black letters. "LIVES" is in red letters. "MATTER" is in white letters. The mural is flanked by green trees and modern buildings. A crowd of people is gathered around the mural, and a few cars are visible on the street. The scene is captured from a high angle, looking down on the street and the mural.

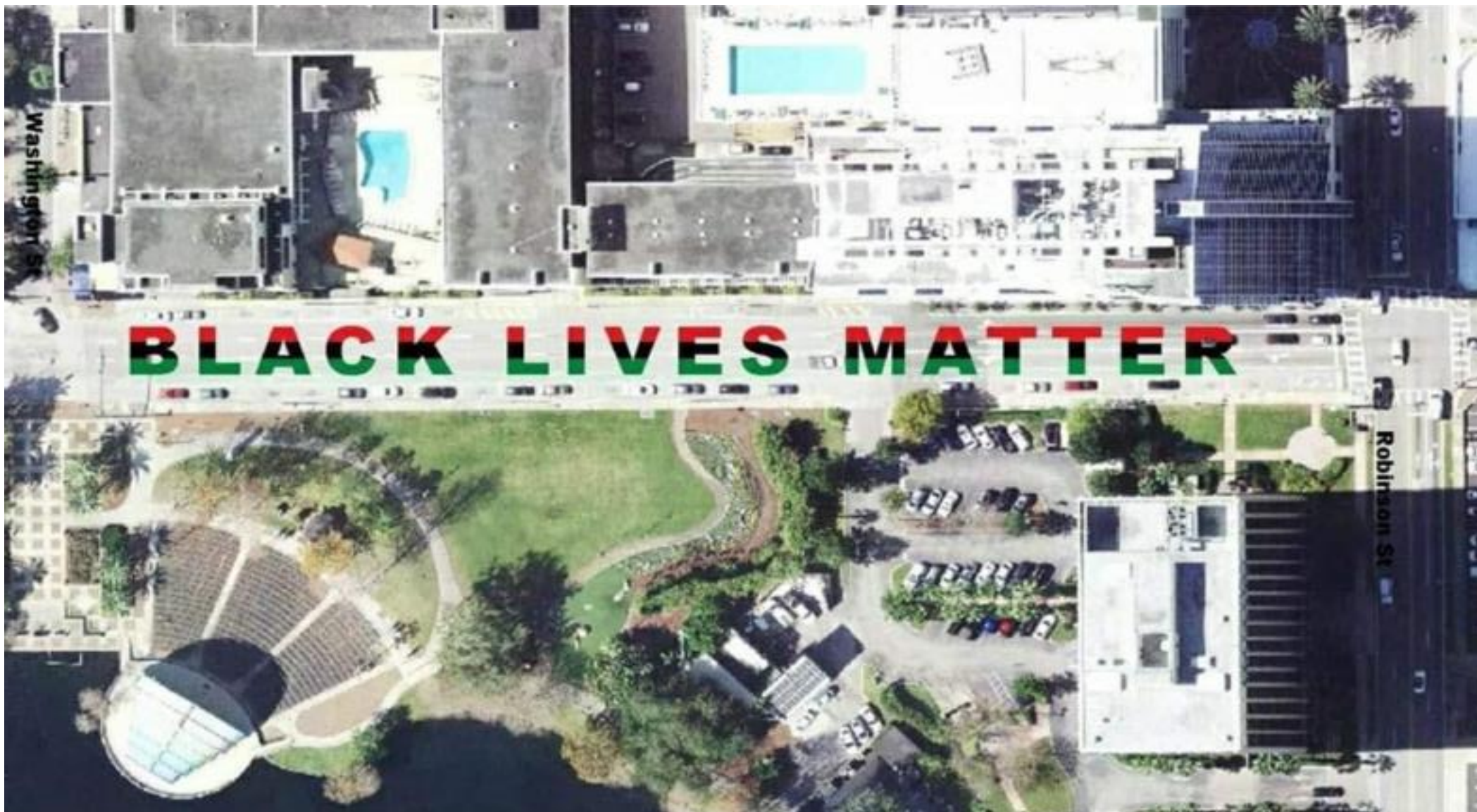
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Next Steps

Q&A

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